

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 8, lines 3-12, please amend the paragraph as follows:

Figure 5 shows the main components that are implemented in the electronic circuit of the reader appliance of the present invention. Connector 100' is also illustrated. The circuit 15 comprises a microcontroller 8 for running programs stored in an associated memory unit 9. In the example shown, the memory of unit 9 contains mainly a reader program (MODE TEST) for connectors fitted with an autotest circuit, and three reader programs (MODE V.1, MODE V.2, and MODE V.3) for reading identification connectors each corresponding to a specific model of connector.